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RESPONSE TO APRIL 15, 2003 OFFICE ACTION

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The Assistant Commissioner
for Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

RESPONSE

This Response is filed in reply to the Office Action issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on April 15, 2003 in connection with the above-identified patent application. The April 15, 2003 Office Action provided a period of 1 month in which to file a response, i.e., by May 15, 2003. Accordingly, this Response is being timely filed.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-12 without prejudice or disclaimer.

REMARKS

Claims 13-17 are presented for examination, with claims 1-12 having been cancelled hereby, without prejudice or disclaimer.

Applicant hereby elects so-called Species III (indicated by the examiner to be shown in Figs. 27 and 28). Claims currently readable on elected Species III are claims 13-17

Of note, applicant specifically reserves the right to add generic claim(s) during the prosecution of the application. In addition, applicant specifically reserves the right to file

divisional application(s) directed to any non-elected species.

Early and favorable consideration on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that the following attached paper(s) and/or fee

- (1) A Response to Office Action of 4/15/03;
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